

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
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For: DRUG DELIVERY SYSTEMS	)	

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

**Mailstop Amendment**

Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the non-final Office Action dated May 12, 2009 concerning the above-referenced patent application. Applicant is filing this paper within the three (3) month statutory period for filing a response to the Office Action. Accordingly, Applicant believes that no extensions of time are necessary to make the filing of this paper timely. If, however, extensions of time are deemed necessary, Applicant hereby petitions for such extensions of time. Moreover, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge **Deposit Account No. 50-0206** to cover the cost of any fees necessary for the entry and consideration of this amendment.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.